

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.: 10/773,882
Applicant(s): Jun MINAKUTI, Koichi KAMON and Masayuki KUSUDA
For: IMAGE-SENSING APPARATUS WITH A SOLID-STATE
IMAGE SENSOR SWITCHABLE BETWEEN LINEAR AND
LOGARITHMIC CONVERSION
Confirmation No.: 1229
Customer No.: 24367
Docket No.: 15162/05650
Filed: February 6, 2004
Group Art Unit: 2622
Examiner: Carramah J. Quiett

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

PRELIMINARY RESPONSE

The following is a Preliminary Response, which is being submitted concurrently with the filing of a Request for Continued Examination.

This Preliminary Response is filed in response to the Office Action dated July 11, 2008, and the Advisory Action dated October 17, 2008.

Application No. 10/773,882
Preliminary Response dated January 9, 2009
Reply to Office Action of July 11, 2008 and
Advisory Action dated October 17, 2008

A Petition for Extension of Time, to extend the response period for the Office Action, dated July 11, 2008, for three additional months to January 11, 2009, is being filed concurrently.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.